

report of a rule entitled "Formless Conversion of Partnership to S Corporation" (Rev. Rul. 2009-15) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 18, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1722. A communication from the Chief of the Publications and Regulations Branch, Internal Revenue Service, Department of the Treasury, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Industry Director's Directive #2 on Enhanced Oil Recovery Credit" (LMSB-4-0409-014) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 18, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1723. A communication from the Assistant General Counsel for Legislation and Regulatory Law, Department of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acquisition Regulation: Security Clause" (RIN1991-AB71) received on May 19, 2009; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-1724. A communication from the Acting Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to a proposed sale or export of defense articles and/or defense services to a Middle East country; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1725. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to providing information on U.S. military personnel and U.S. civilian contractors involved in the anti-narcotics campaign in Colombia; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

EC-1726. A communication from the Chairman, Committee on Public Safety and the Judiciary, Council of the District of Columbia, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on D.C. Bill 18-10, "Disclosure to the United States District Court Amendment Act of 2009" received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1727. A communication from the Director, Strategic Human Resources Policy, Office of Personnel Management, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Prevailing Rate Systems: Redefinition of Certain Appropriated Fund Federal Wage System Wage Areas" (RIN3206-AL77) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 19, 2009; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-1728. A communication from the Acting Assistant Attorney General, Department of Justice, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Annual Report to Congress for Fiscal Year 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1729. A communication from the Chief, Office of Congressional Relations, Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services Annual Report for Fiscal Year 2008; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

EC-1730. A communication from the Federal Register Liaison Officer, Veterans Benefits Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Reimbursement for Interment Costs" (RIN2900-AM98) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 19, 2009; to the Committee on Veterans' Affairs.

EC-1731. A communication from the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Installations and Environment), transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department of the Navy converting to contract the information assurance functions currently being performed by eight (8) military personnel of

the Fleet Area Control and Surveillance Facility, located in Virginia Beach, Virginia; to the Committee on Armed Services.

EC-1732. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Acibenzolar-S-methyl; Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL-8413-7) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1733. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Cry1A.105 protein; Time Limited Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL-8417-3) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1734. A communication from the Congressional Review Coordinator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Importation of Longan From Taiwan" (Docket No. APHIS-2007-0161) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-1735. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; California; Determination of Attainment of the 1-Hour Ozone Standard for the Ventura County Area" (FRL-8909-6) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1736. A communication from the Director, Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Air Quality Implementation Plans; Maryland; Reasonably Available Control Technology Requirements for Volatile Organic Compounds: Correction" (FRL-8909-5) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-1737. A communication from the Chief of the Trade and Commercial Regulations Branch, Customs and Border Protection, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Imported Directly Requirement Under the United States-Bahrain Free Trade Agreement" (RIN1505-AC13) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1738. A communication from the Program Manager, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "State Parent Locator Service; Safeguarding Child Support Information: Delay of Effective Date" (RIN0970-AC01) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on May 20, 2009; to the Committee on Finance.

EC-1739. A communication from the Assistant Secretary, Office of Legislative Affairs, Department of State, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the establishment of a Danger Pay Allowance for FBI personnel serving in Mexico; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS

The following petitions and memorials were laid before the Senate and

were referred or ordered to lie on the table as indicated:

POM-25. A petition from a citizen of California relative to amending the Constitution; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

POM-26. A joint memorial adopted by the Legislature of the State of Washington relative to passing H.R. 5698, the Restoring Partnership for County Health Care Costs Act of 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

HOUSE JOINT MEMORIAL NO. 4000

Whereas, our system of justice presumes that a person accused of committing a crime is innocent until proven guilty; and

Whereas, under current federal law, persons awaiting trial or other disposition of their cases in county jails or juvenile detention facilities are ineligible to receive medicare, medicaid, supplementary security income, or state children's health insurance program benefits, even though their culpability in a criminal case has not been proven; and

Whereas, counties must bear the financial burden of providing medical care to persons who are held in county jails; and

Whereas, Many persons in custody who are affected by mental illness suffer further and are at higher risk of reoffending after they are released because of a delay in the reinstatement of their federal benefits; Now, therefore, Your Memorialists respectfully pray that the United States Congress pass HR 5698, the Restoring Partnership for County Health Care Costs Act of 2008.

Be it Resolved, That copies of this Memorial be immediately transmitted to the Honorable Barack Obama, President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and each member of Congress from the State of Washington.

EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. DODD for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

Francisco J. Sanchez, of Florida, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for International Trade.

*Sandra Brooks Henriquez, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

*Peter M. Rogoff, of Virginia, to be Federal Transit Administrator.

*Michael S. Barr, of Michigan, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury.

*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

(Nominations without an asterisk were reported with the recommendation that they be confirmed.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. HUTCHISON:

S. 1115. A bill to amend title 23, United States Code, to prohibit the imposition of new tolls on the Federal-aid system, and for